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European Patent Application No. EP 1 227 352 A1

Patent Abstracts of Japan No. 08-122683 A

Patent Abstracts of Japan No. 08-220406 A

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The aforementioned references were cited in the European Search Report of the corresponding European Application No. 02020046.5, a copy of which is enclosed.

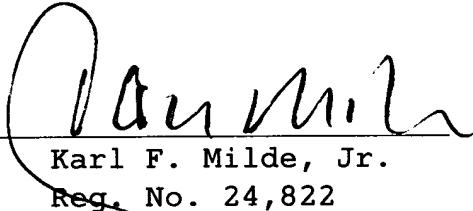
Patent Abstracts of Japan No. 2000206627 A

The aforementioned reference is believed to be relevant, but not material, to the claims of this application.

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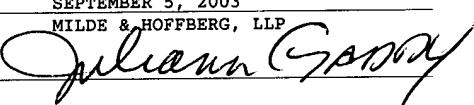
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